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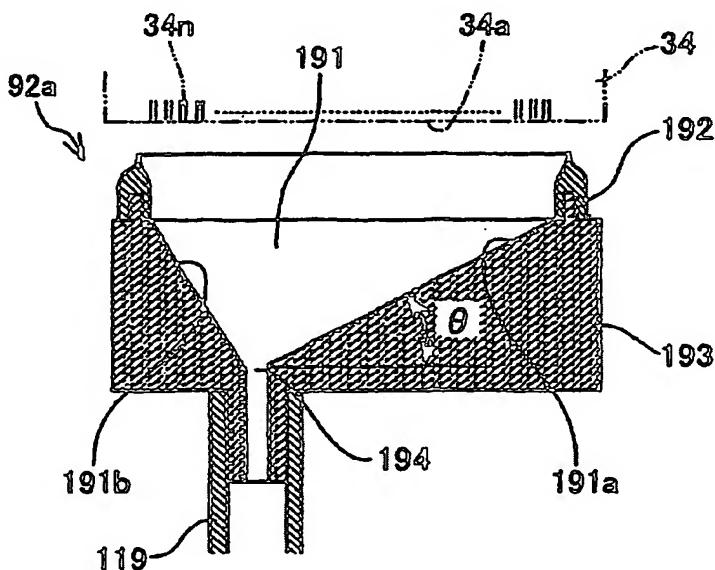
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(57) Abstract: In a maintenance/recovery device for a liquid discharging device, a cap member covers a surface of a nozzle of a liquid discharging head, the liquid discharging head discharging a droplet of a recording liquid from the nozzle. A resilient contact member is provided in the cap member to come in contact with the surface of the nozzle. A recess-forming member is provided in the cap member to form a recess for receiving the recording liquid attracted from the nozzle. The contact member and the recess-forming member are integrally formed by molding, the recess-forming member is made of a resin material containing a water repellent agent, and the recess-forming member is provided to have at least two slopes being inclined toward an outlet at a bottom of the recess.

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